

## House Resolution 801

By: Representative Scott of the 2<sup>nd</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Mr. Stanley G. "Duke" Hilliard; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens  
3 with the passing of Mr. Stanley G. "Duke" Hilliard on March 25, 2009; and

4 WHEREAS, a life-long resident of North Georgia, Mr. Hilliard was the beloved son of the  
5 late Oscar and Ann Hilliard of East Ridge; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard earned a bachelor's degree in business from the University of  
7 Tennessee at Chattanooga and devoted his career to improving the standard of health care  
8 in this state and throughout the nation; and

9 WHEREAS, he served as executive director of four hallmark health care facilities: Cleveland  
10 Community Hospital in Tennessee, Regional Hospital in Texas, Warren Regional Hospital  
11 in Tennessee, and Byrd Memorial Hospital in Louisiana; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard's leadership and guidance as executive director of four Charter  
13 Medical Facilities – Charter Glade Hospital in Florida, Charter Pines Hospital in North  
14 Carolina, Charter Peachford Hospital in Georgia, and Charter National Laboratory, Inc., in  
15 Tennessee – raised the level of care for all patients; and

16 WHEREAS, he was the founder of The Hilliard Group, Inc., a medical recruitment firm  
17 based in Chattanooga, Tennessee; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard was a good and wise neighbor who never failed to offer kind words  
19 or friendly advice on any matter, including but not limited to church, politics, government,  
20 the raising of children, and lawn mowing; and

21 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wonderful wife, Carolyn, and he was  
22 blessed with two remarkable children, Stan and Lisa, and five delightful grandchildren; and

23 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation  
24 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he  
25 made this world a better place in which to live; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Hilliard will long be remembered for  
27 his of love family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, grandfather, and friend will  
28 be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
30 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Mr. Stanley G. "Duke"  
31 Hilliard and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
33 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mr. Stanley  
34 G. "Duke" Hilliard.